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Title	Improved Storage Area	Network File System		

Preliminary Amendment

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Please amend the above-identified application for patent, filed herewith, as follows:

• Immediately after the title, insert as follows:

--This application claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/257,446, filed December 22, 2000.—

Respectfully Submitted, DATAPLOW, INC. By its attorneys:

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